

Trooper Mc Manus had been looking for me, but later came in and told me that I was wanted at Somerville. This was about 8:30 P. M. I was not given an opportunity to take any things with me. When we arrived at Somerville, I was taken to State Trooper's Headquarters and shown a room by a Trooper, who said "there is your room". My husband, who was with me, protested and said that we did not understand that I would be kept over night. To this Trooper Mc Manus replied, "Well there is your room. Senator Simpson is not here and we don't know whether he will be in tonight, or in later tonight, or tomorrow morning, but he wants to question you." My husband then asked Trooper Mc Manus whether I was under arrest. He stated "well we want to detain her. She isn't really under arrest. There is a warrant out for her arrest but we are not going to serve it."

I remained at the State Trooper's Headquarters on the night of August 11th, 1926, and in the morning I was questioned by three men, two of whom were Senator Simpson and Inspector Underwood. Senator Simpson asked me a few questions and during the time that I was questioned by Inspector Underwood and other persons present, he was in and out of the room practically all of the time. On this occasion I was asked who told me to write the letter to Mrs. Hall and what lawyer was it that instructed me to write such letter. The letter referred to being the one I sent to Mrs. Hall to the effect that Jane Gibson is not telling the truth as to her movements on the night of September 14th, 1922, and that she was in my company at the times about mentioned on that particular night. After they had finished questioning me, Senator Simpson came in and said "give her some lunch and hold her." Later in the morning I was taken over to the Court room where the hearing in connection with the holding of William Stevens and Henry Carpender was being held before Judge Cleary. I was taken over there and was accompanied by two detectives from the Prosecutor's staff. After the hearing for the day had terminated, I was taken back by these two detectives to the State Trooper's Headquarters and interviewed by Inspector Underwood. My husband was present at the time. Inspector Underwood talked with me regarding the statements made by me in my affidavit four years ago. During the questioning he stated as follows: "Do you know Mrs. Russell that you are looked upon by the people in this country as a tool of the Halls? You couldn't make any intelligent person believe that you hadn't been paid. Why can't it be the thirteenth of September, 1922 instead of the 14th? The time of night could be changed easily. If you want to change your story at all, you will not be charged with perjury. Go home and think it over and see if you can't make it another date. If you can't make it a different date, it is easy enough to make it a different hour."

I insisted throughout to Inspector Underwood that I could not be forced to tell anything but the truth, and that it was the night of the fourteenth of September, 1922, that I actually saw Jane Gibson.

The next week I was called to Somerville by a member of the Prosecutor's staff, and taken to the Prosecutor's office in the Court House where I was handed what I was told was a statement of the questions put to me at a previous time, and my answers. I noted in reading my statement, which I later signed, that they had inserted September 13th, 1922 instead of September 14th, 1922, as the date when I saw Jane Gibson. I called this to the attention of the person in charge and insisted that a change be made.